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JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
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Hongkong, 1st April, 1901. [50]

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Hongkong, 1st April, 1901. [50]

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PORTLAND CEMENT.
\$5.50 per Cask of 375 lbs. net ex Factory.
\$3.30 per Bag of 250 lbs.
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers
Hongkong, 1st June, 1901. [51]

NOTICE.
I HAVE THIS DAY RESUMED my
DENTAL PRACTICE.
WM. MACLEOD, D.D.S.,
BEACONFIELD ARCADE,
Hongkong, 1st August, 1901. [52]

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A natural and most pleasant wine to the taste.

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Hongkong, 28th August, 1901. [48]

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Hongkong, 2nd July, 1900. [53]

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Special Attention paid to the Comfort of Guests.

Cuisine excellent; under Experienced Management.

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A. FONSECA,

Manager.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1899. [52]

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Evening Alleys and Billiards.

The Cuisine is Excellent.

J. W. OSBORNE, Proprietor.

Manager.

Hongkong, 8th September, 1900. [1443]

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| D'ARMAILHACQ | 21.00 | 22.20 |
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A. S. WATSON & CO.
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THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY

[35]

DEATH.
On the 22nd August, at Shanghai, MARY ST. GEORGE, aged 15 years.

The Daily Press.
HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DES VIEUX ROAD CL.
LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, 31st August, 1901

THURSDAY'S meeting of the Legislative Council was awaited, as we have already said, with no little interest, principally owing to the series of questions standing in the name of the Hon. T. H. Whitehead. All of these involved subjects of importance to the general welfare of the Colony and its inhabitants. It cannot be said that the answers produced by the Government were for the most part of a nature calculated to satisfy those desirous to be informed. In one instance, that of question 4—when Mr. Whitehead asked for a return of the number of building collapses since January, 1895, the owners' names, the number of deaths, enquiries, and prosecutions, the causes of the collapses, and the precautions to be taken in future—Mr. CHATHAM was unable to prepare an answer in time for the meeting, but promised all available information hereafter. The answers to the other questions may be glanced at briefly.

With regard to the statement prepared at Mr. OSBORNE's request and laid on the head of the Public Works Department was the matter of Mr. WHITEHEAD's last question. It seems to us, and we know that this opinion is shared by many experts, that the Public Works Department want is not so much a new and more highly paid head, but a larger and more adequately staff. It would be useless to import into the Colony a man of long experience and high standing, at a larger salary than has been paid before, and then to leave him as short-handed as his predecessors. We must spend our money on securing a sufficiently large staff before we get out an expensive Director to put at its head.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

BELGIOS PUBLIC SCHOOL

THE above SCHOOL will RE-OPEN on MONDAY NEXT, the 2nd September. Hours from 9.30 A.M. to 3.30 P.M. Hongkong, 31st August, 1901. [2216]

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THERE will be NO COMPETITION TO-DAY (SATURDAY), the 31st August, but the Range will be open for Practice.

ALEX. MACKENZIE,

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 31st August, 1901. [161]

NOTICE.

MR. ALEC MARSH

Begs to give notice that, having returned from New China, he will remain in the Colony for some weeks and is prepared to give LESSONS in VOICE PRODUCTION and PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT.

Address: 1, ICE HOUSE STREET.

Hongkong, 31st August, 1901. [2215]

TO LET.

NO. 26, WYNDHAM STREET.

Apply to— C. F. DE CARVALHO.

Hongkong, 31st August, 1901. [2220]

TO LET.

1ST, 2ND, and 3RD FLOORS of No. 35, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, next to Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., now nearing Completion. Suitable for Offices.

Apply to— WING CHEONG.

Nos. 1 & 3, D'Aguilar Street.

Hongkong, 31st August, 1901. [2218]

TO LET AT KOWLOON.

From 1st October.

HOUSES Nos. 9 & 11, SALISBURY AVENUE, Furnished or Unfurnished. Very healthy locality. Rent and Taxes \$14.50.

Apply to the OCCUPIERS OF THE HOUSES.

Hongkong, 31st August, 1901. [2219]

IN RE FERGUSON & CO.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on a Petition dated 16th day of August, 1901, a Receiving Order against JOHN PENDEW WAKE, trading at Chefoo as Messrs. FERGUSON & CO., was made by His Britannic Majesty's Court of Chefoo, located at Chefoo, on the 22nd day of August, 1901.

ARTHUR R. LEAKE,

Official Receiver.

Chefoo, 22nd August, 1901. [2232]

IN RE FERGUSON & CO.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

ALL Persons having Claims against Messrs. FERGUSON & CO., are requested to send particulars of same, together with details of proof, to the undersigned on or before the THIRTEENTH DAY of SEPTEMBER, 1901.

ARTHUR R. LEAKE,

Official Receiver.

FERGUSON & CO. in Bankruptcy.

Chefoo, 22nd August, 1901. [2233]

GREAT EASTERN AND CALEDONIAN GOLD MINING CO. LIMITED, IN LIQUIDATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, 14, DES VŒUX ROAD, on MONDAY, the 30th of September, 1901, at 12.15 o'clock P.M. for the purpose of having an account laid before them, showing the manner in which the winding up has been conducted and the property of the Company disposed of, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidator and also of determining by EXTRAORDINARY RESOLUTION the manner in which the Balance, Accounts, Books, and Documents of the Company, and of the Liquidator thereof, shall be disposed of.

Hongkong, 29th August, 1901.

M. BENNECKE,

Liquidator.

Hongkong, 29th August, 1901. [2198]

FOR NAGASAKI AND VLADIVOS.

TOOK.

THE Steamship "DAPHNE," Captain Schipper, will be despatched for the above ports on MONDAY, the 2nd September, at 3 P.M. instead of as previously notified. This Steamer has superior accommodation for First Class Passengers.

For Freight or Passage apply to

SIEMSEN & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 30th August, 1901. [2214]

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Hongkong, 30th August, 1901. [1901]

NEW ADVERTISEMENT

A TRAINED MALE NURSE returning to Europe, will be pleased to take charge of an invalid.

Address— J. PEAK,

Care of Thomas' Grill Room.

Hongkong, 31st August, 1901. [2217]

ENTERTAINMENT

BENEFIT
For the WIDOW and CHILDREN of the Late Armorer-Sergeant A. WILLIAMS, 2nd Battalion Royal Welsh Fusiliers.

Under the Distinguished Patronage of His Excellency Sir H. E. BLAKE, G.C.M.G., Commander F. POWELL, C.B., R.N.; The Officer Commanding the Troops—Colonel L. F. BROWN, R.E.

A GRAND MILITARY TATTOO will take place on the HONGKONG VOLUNTEER PARADE GROUND (by kind permission of the Acting Commandant) commencing at 9 P.M. sharp, on WEDNESDAY, 4th September, 1901.

The Military and Navy of Hongkong will be represented in a Torchlight Procession, headed by Bands, Drums, Pipes and Pipers of the Garrison, kindly lent by the Commanding Officers.

Tickets can be obtained at—

Messrs. KELLY & WALSH,
THE ROBINSON PIANO CO.,
HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS HEAD-
QUARTERS, and

At the different MESSRS.
Hongkong, 26th August, 1901. [2173]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION

No. 447.
NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSUR-
ANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG

The following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC

AUCTION, to be held at the Offices of the Public Works Department, on MONDAY, the 2nd day of SEPTEMBER, 1901, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command—

J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,

Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Hongkong, 10th August, 1901. [2174]

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction, Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 2nd day of SEPTEMBER, 1901, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Kennedy Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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The months passed slowly, and Durrant began to make material progress. No word was ever uttered which bore upon the question he had mooted that evening; by mutual consent the subject was totally avoided, and they renewed their old, easy intimacy. One evening, however, he came into Mary's room, his face flushed with excitement. Mary was, as usual, at her desk, struggling with a young woman's love affairs.

"At last!" he cried as he entered. Mary glanced round quickly. She guessed instinctively that the postponed moment had come, and felt her heart beat.

"Sit down while I finish this paragraph," she said, and wrote on wildly. After a few minutes she hung down her pen. She rose and came slowly towards the fireplace. Durrant had sat down in his customary chair, and she stood with one hand on the mantelpiece, looking down on him.

"I have a great deal to tell you," he said. There was a note of confidence in his voice.

"What is it?" she asked suddenly. "The Daily Illustrated people are sending Moore to the States for the Presidential Election. He wants me to go with him. They have offered handsome terms."

"I am glad?" she answered heartily.

"The isn't all. Afterwards we're to do Canada together. There is a boom in the Colonies just now, and the Illustrated is going to play them heavily. I don't know where else we are going, but we shall not be back for six months. Of course, I'm going merely to illustrate Moore's work."

"Six months," she echoed.

"He nodded. "When we get back, I am to be engaged as one of the staff."

"I am glad, too!" She jumped up and caught her hands. "Congratulations, for I have achieved that for which I have been striving."

She let her hands remain in his, and looked him squarely in the face. "I congratulate you most sincerely," she said. "I am very, very glad."

"I am sorry to be away for six months," he went on ruefully. "It seems a long time."

"It will soon pass," she replied cheerfully.

"When do you start?"

"In a fortnight. We should have started earlier, only Moore is going to take his wife and daughter. Of course they can't be ready at a moment's notice."

"I am so glad that you have got your chance," said Mary gently. "You might have had to wait years for it."

"I am glad too," he answered. "and you can guess why. Now I am no longer a waif on the ocean of journalism. I have now a rudder to my little boat—and there is room for two."

"She drew her hands away. "And so you are thinking of getting married," she said cheerfully. "What a precious child it is! Who is the girl?"

"There can only be one woman for me," he answered, "and you know that well enough. You pretend that I am a child, but you know well enough that is not the case."

He spoke so directly that Mary felt presence at once.

"Perhaps it really might disturb you and make your work less satisfactory," she said thoughtfully.

"I am sure I should be good for nothing. As I said, it would be quite useless going at all."

"You annoying boy," she exclaimed suddenly. "Success is no doubt pleasant, but I value it for what it brings. I hoped it would bring you."

"Would it make you unhappy if I say definitely our marriage is out of the question?"

"It would wreck my life!"

"Happy," she exclaimed, shocked. "How can you say such a foolishly wicked thing?"

"It is for you I have been working," he answered a little sullenly. "Success is no doubt pleasant, but I value it for what it brings. I hoped it would bring you."

"Would it make you unhappy if I say definitely our marriage is out of the question?"

"It is nothing," she said mockingly.

"A tinge of pink dyed her cheek. "As a matter of fact I am more than that. I am thirty-five."

"Well, what of it?"

"Oh, yes, it is still youthful, no doubt. I don't pretend to be an old woman yet. But let us talk about your good fortune."

"No, no," he cried. "I will say what I have to say. It is simple enough. Mary, I love you, and you must marry me."

"Must!" she repeated.

"Yes." He took her hands in his and drew her towards himself. "I love you more than any woman I ever met. For months I have worked hard that I might be able to say this to you. You know that. And now that the time has come you want to put me off. But I decline to put off. The matter must be decided to-night."

"Very well," she answered composedly. "We will decide the matter to-night. Only let us talk it over seriously."

"Very well."

"That will necessitate your letting go my hands. Thank you." She whisked away from him. "Where is your pipe? Sit down and light it."

He sat down. "I am going to keep you to the point," he observed. "but I don't mind smoking." He filled his pipe, and Mary brought him a lighted match. He kissed the hand that held it. She stood for a moment looking down on him with tenderness in her eyes, a smile half mocking, half wistful on her lips.

"When you are older," she said, "you will understand the difference between the possible and the impossible."

"There is nothing impossible in the proposition I have made."

She moved to the table and sat down, her chin in her hand, and looked into vacancy.

"No," she said, "in a sense that is true. And yet it is not true, for the possible is often the impossible."

"Wherein lies the impossibility?"

She was silent.

"Look at my side of the question. I am in love with you, and you are in love with me."

Her cheeks grew red, but she put the matter by with a laugh. "That is a bold saying," she interposed gaily.

"I say you are in love with me." He became emphatic. "And I challenge you to deny it."

Her eyes, as she looked at him, were very soft and tender. "I am very fond of you," she replied at length.

"That is—you love me."

"Call it what you will—for the sake of argument."

"Now admitting we love each other, what reason can there be for not marrying? I am certain now to make enough to support a wife. You put great stress on the fact that you are a few years older than myself. What nonsense it is! I know that I shall always love you. I am sure you will not tire of me."

She thought. "Since I know you, I am more happy," she said slowly. "If I were to marry you, perhaps my happiness would be

made permanent. You ask me why I hesitate? I can give no string of reasons. I have no reason to offer. And yet..."

"You admit you have no reasons?" She disregarded his question. "It may soon occur to me to say so," she went on. "but it is true that I have a faculty not very common in women—a good judgment. Through life, I have found that when confronted with two alternatives, I have usually been able to choose the right course. And my judgment tells me that our marriage would be a mistake."

"I too have judgment," he cried, "and it tells me the contrary."

She shook her head. "You are not letting me have fair play."

"I tell you I love you!"

"I am the only woman you have associated with since you came to London. And at your age it is easy to love. Perhaps, too, you are a little grateful for any help I have been able to render you. We have had many cosy chats together and so—you think I love me."

"My love is real."

"I am sure of it; at this moment it is real."

"Do you think it will last?"

"I think it is possible it might not if you met a young and beautiful woman."

"Do you think your love would last?"

"She pondered the question. "If I loved you, which I don't admit, you know, I don't think my love would ever fade."

"There was a smile tinged on her cheek. There was almost a silence. Mary sat down, and Durrant sank into his ordinary seat.

"The six months have gone quickly," said Mary.

"He looked at her. "It seems years to me."

"She nodded. "That is the effect of the continual change of scene."

"You do not ascribe it to my absence from you?" He naked, with an attempt at lightness, which, however, seemed unnatural.

"She gave him a little shrewd look.

"No, I don't ascribe it to that."

"He rose. "Mary," he began; looking down on her and speaking gravely. "I have not forgotten that evening before I went away. I have not forgotten your promise to me."

She locked up.

"You still wish to marry—me?"

"Yes," he replied stubbornly.

Mary rose too. "You foolish fellow," she said, and her eyes filled with tears, though her lips were smiling bravely; "you know that is not true." She put her hand on his arm and came near to him. "Owe to me that is not true."

"I tell you it is true." There was an angry emphasis in his voice.

"I see you have been trying to convince yourself. Have you succeeded?"

He turned away. "Do you think I am so foolish that six months can change me?"

"Yes," she answered. "I do." Then her eyes fell on the carved box on the mantelpiece.

"Look, your letter still remains unread. Now is the time to read it."

He took the key from his pocket, and opened the box.

"I don't in the least understand you," he said.

"Read," he exclaimed laughingly.

He broke the seal, and glanced down the page, and then with a quick glance at her began to read the letter aloud. "I am not going to marry you, my dear boy," he read. "I only consented to make you temporarily happy, or rather not to hinder your success in life. Of course, the time is quite out of the question, but I wanted you to see it for yourself. What could have put it into your head that I loved you?" He turned to her, and there was a brightness on his face that had before been absent.

"It is this true?" he cried.

"Quite true," she replied.

"You do not love me?"

Her eyes dropped before him, but the next moment she raised them steadily. "I do not love you," she said quietly.

He seemed bewildered. "Have you been playing with me?"

"Only for your sake," she answered softly.

"You—you are very young."

For a moment he looked as if he thought he ought to be offended; then Mary pointed to his chair.

"Sit down and smoke a pipe, and tell me about Miss Moore."

The blood rushed to the roots of his hair. Confusion was on his face. And then he laughed out loudly.

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